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Sent: 1/16/2020 8:22:39 PM
To: Hladick, Christopher [hladick.christopher@epa.gov]
Subject: Do not allow mega dairies to pollute our water!

Dear Mr. Hladick,

Eastern Oregon's drinking water has been contaminated by nitrates for decades, and Oregon's actions to address this public health crisis have failed. Oregon officials know that large dairy concentrated animal feeding operations and their waste management practices are responsible for much of the Lower Umatilla Basin's persistent groundwater contamination, but are poised to approve yet another mega-dairy to operate in the region. This threatens to worsen an already dangerous situation.

I urge you to take emergency action under the Safe Drinking Water Act to supply free, clean drinking water to impacted residents, prohibit any new mega-dairy from operating on the failed Lost Valley Farm CAFO site, investigate the sources of the region's nitrate contamination and take enforcement actions as needed to reduce the area's groundwater contamination to safe levels.

We need emergency action to address Eastern Oregon's groundwater contamination: please take action for clean drinking water for Oregonians in response to citizens' Safe Drinking Water Act petition.

Sincerely,

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